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## SEAFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

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## Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

Dr. Russell H. Knorr Superintendent Seaford School District 390 North Market Street, Extended Seaford, Delaware 19973 The Honorable Valerie A. Woodruff Secretary, Department of Education Townsend Building, Suite 2 401 Federal Street Dover, Delaware 19901

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by Seaford School District; the Office of Auditor of Accounts; and the State of Delaware Department of Education, solely to assist the specified parties in evaluating the School District's compliance with criteria from the State of Delaware Fixed Asset Policy Manual, the State of Delaware Department of Education School Construction Technical Assistance Manual, the Delaware Code, and the State of Delaware Budget and Accounting Manual relative to the school construction projects administered by the School District for the year ended June 30, 2007. Seaford School District's management is responsible for compliance with those requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards* (2003) issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

#### Our procedures and findings are as follows:

- 1. Determine if the School District's policies and procedures for identifying, tracking, and recording capital assets are adequate.
  - There are no findings upon completion of Seaford School District's construction program and project checklists.
- 2. Determine whether the School District's construction project records and files (current and prior fiscal years) are accurate.

There are no findings upon completion of Seaford School District's construction program and project checklists.

3. Determine if expenditures are accurately stated and are made in accordance with the State Fixed Asset Policy Manual and the intent of the project scope mandated by the General Assembly, the Department of Education, and the Local Board of Education.

There are no findings upon completion of Seaford School District's construction program and project checklists.

4. Determine whether the School District's construction project records and files include only active construction projects as of June 30, 2007. Ensure that completed projects have been appropriately closed out of construction and added to the State Fixed Asset system.

There are no findings upon completion of Seaford School District's construction program and project checklists.

5. Prepare the School District's Schedule of Construction Projects for Fiscal Year 2007.

See Appendix C.

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Seaford School District management and Board Members, the Auditor of Accounts, and the State of Delaware Department of Education, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. This report, as required by statute, was provided to the Office of the Governor, Office of the Controller General, Office of the Attorney General, Office of Management and Budget, Department of Finance, the State Treasurer's Office, and the Office of Auditor of Accounts.

Jefferson, Urian, Doane & Sterner, P.A.

Georgetown, Delaware November 15, 2007

## SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

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The following schedule summarized the prior year findings and the status of the prior year findings.

Prior Year Finding	Recommendation	Status of Prior Year Finding
06-01 - During completion of Seaford School	Seaford School District should review and	Implemented.
District's project checklists for Seaford High	revise procedures to ensure that the proper	implemented.
School renovations, Seaford Middle School	documentation accompanies purchase orders	
renovations, and Blades Elementary School	submitted to the Department of Education.	
renovations, it was noted the School District	submitted to the Department of Education.	
failed to submit certain documentation to the		
Department of Education as required by the		
School Construction Technical Assistance		
Manual, Section 2.0, Paragraph 7.2.1. The		
manual states that submission of a change		
order must include the following documents:		
completed purchase order as applicable, local		
board of education minutes identifying and		
approving the changes, completed AIA		
document G701, and correspondence that		
gives a breakdown in materials mark-up and		
other expenses. Personnel were unaware of		
the requirement and did not attach the		
materials mark-up and other related expenses		
with the change order submission.		
Noncompliance with the State of Delaware		
provisions, including School Construction		
Technical Assistance Manual, could		
potentially cause a delay in receiving future		
State funds.		

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Prior Year Finding	Recommendation	Status of Prior Year Finding
06-02 - During completion of Seaford School District's construction program, it was noted	Seaford School District should reimburse \$ 24,640 to appropriation 7613, Seaford High	Implemented - Seaford School District received a waiver from the Department of
that one expenditure was coded to the	School renovation.	Education for this finding in fiscal year 2007.
incorrect capital project. The payment		
voucher 9523D3931812 was for work related		
to Seaford Middle School addition for		
\$ 24,640, but was coded to Seaford High		
School renovation appropriation 7614.		
According to 29 Del C., §6406A(a) and State		
of Delaware School Construction Technical		
Assistance Manual, Section 2.0, Paragraphs		
4.4 and 8.0, certain transfers within the same		
certificate of necessity are permitted with		
approval by the Department of Education.		
However, the School District did not obtain		
approval. School District personnel were		
unaware that transfers between projects		
outlined within the same Certificate of		
Necessity required such approval.		

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**Status Key:** 

<u>Implemented</u> The concern has been addressed by implementing the original or an alternate corrective action.

Not Implemented The corrective action has not been initiated

<u>Partially Implemented</u> The corrective action has been initiated but is not complete and the auditor has reason to believe management fully

intends to address the concern.

## SCHEDULE OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

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Project Name	Fiscal Year	Original Funding Amount	De-auth Funding Amount	Total Project Funding to Date	Expended Current FY	Expended Prior FY's	Total Project Expended to Date	Total Unspent as of 06/30/07
Seaford High School Renovation	1997 2000 2001	\$ 4,890,300 172,000 2,455,200	\$ - 2,200	\$ 4,890,300 174,200 2,455,200	\$ 844 - -	\$ 4,769,443 174,200 2,455,200	\$ 4,770,287 174,200 2,455,200	\$ 120,013 - -
Seaford Middle School Renovation	1997 1998 2000	3,319,400 1,277,300 4,171,900	(3,998) 52,800	3,319,400 1,273,302 4,224,700	- - -	3,305,918 1,272,174 4,224,700	3,305,918 1,272,174 4,224,700	13,482 1,128
Frederick Douglas Elementary	2006	542,100	-	542,100	461,369	45,014	506,383	35,717
Central Elementary Renovation	2006	953,000	-	953,000	758,312	102,668	860,980	92,020
W. Seaford Elementary Addition	2006	1,416,400	-	1,416,400	1,218,305	188,818	1,407,123	9,277
Seaford High School Renovation	2006	2,067,700	-	2,067,700	1,480,978	165,787	1,646,765	420,935
Seaford Middle School Addition	2006	2,343,500	-	2,343,500	1,358,147	981,425	2,339,572	3,928

## SCHEDULE OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS - CONTINUED

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	Fiscal	Original Funding	De-auth Funding	Total Project Funding to	Expended	Expended	Total Project Expended	Total Unspent as
Project Name	Year	Amount	Amount	Date	Current FY	Prior FY's	to Date	of 06/30/07
Seaford Middle School Addition (Market Pressure \$)	2007	\$ 183,013	\$ -	\$ 183,013	\$ 92,877	\$ -	\$ 92,877	\$ 90,136
Blades Elementary Addition	2006	1,387,300	-	1,387,300	804,921	437,900	1,242,821	144,479
Blades Elementary Addition (Market Pressure \$)	2007	108,340	-	108,340	15,326	-	15,326	93,014
Totals		\$ 25,287,453	\$ 51,002	\$ 25,338,455	\$ 6,191,079	\$ 18,123,247	\$ 24,314,326	\$ 1,024,129

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